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1. ACCORDING TO ROK EMBASSY HERE, GOI HAS REVISED ITS PESSIMISTIC VIEW OF VOTING SITUATION ON KOREAN ISSUE (REFTEL B) AND PLANS TO SUPPORT US ON PROCEDURAL RESOLUTION AS WELL AS TWO SUBSTANTIVE RESOLUTIONS. POLITICAL OFFICER JOUN-YUNG SUN TOLD EMBOFF TURNING POINT CAME DURING AUDIENCE ROK MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY YEI-JOON CHANG HAD WITH SHAH OCTOBER 12. WHEN CHANG AND ROK AMBASSADOR TO IRAN HYUN URGED SUPPORT OF ROK POSITION, SHAH SAID HE SAW NO REASON TO RETREAT FROM SUPPORT IRAN GAVE ON THIS ISSUE LAST YEAR.

2. ROK EMBASSY HAS SINCE REPEATED SHAH.S COMMENT TO MFA UNDER-SECRETARIES TAJBAKHSH AND NADIM, WHO BOTH ASSURED KOREANS GOI WOULD SUPPORT ROK POSITION DOWN THE LINE. SUN SAID NADIM WAS FULLY AWARE OF PROCEDUREAL QUESTION'S IMPORTANCE, AND THAT NADIM HAD EXPLICITLY STATED OCTOBER 15 THAT GOI WOULD ABSTAIN ON THAT QUESTION OR VOTE IN WHATEVER WAY SOUTH KOREANS WOULD FIND MOST USEFUL. NADIM TOLD KOREANS THESE INSTRUCTIONS HAD BEEN SENT TO IRANDEL IN NEW YORK.

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3. EMBOFF HAS KEPT SUN INFORMED OF THIS EMBASSY'S CONTACTS WITH GOI TO SUPPORT ROK POSITION (LATEST APPROACH COVERED IN REFTEL B). SUN HAS REQUESTED FURTHER SUPPORT TO ENSURE THAT GOI DOES NOT RETREAT FROM CURRENT ASSURANCES. IN VIEW OF ABOVE INFORMATION AND OUR REPEATED APPROACHES TO GOI ON THIS SUBJECT, WE DO NOT PLAN TO MAKE ANOTHER APPOINTMENT TO DISCUSS MATTER WHICH GOI MIGHT CONSIDER OVERKILL BUT WILL AGAIN BRING MATTER TO NADIM'S ATTENTION IN LOW-KEY WAY BEFORE OCTOBER 21, IF OCCASION ARISES. HELMS

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